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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 75 - 120 were pending when the application was last examined. Claims 84, 88, 96 - 98, and 111 are amended. Claim 95 is canceled. Claims 75 - 94 and 96 - 120 are now pending.

The Examiner allowed claims 75 - 83, 85 - 87, 90 - 94, 100, 101, 103 - 110, and 116 - 120.

The Examiner objected to claims 96 - 99 and 102 as dependent upon a rejected base claim but otherwise allowable. Claims 96 - 98 directly depend from claim 95 and are amended to include the limitations of their base claim and, as amended, are allowable. Claims 99 is allowable because it depends from claim 98 which is amended to be allowable. Claim 102 is allowable because it depends from allowable claim 99.

The Examiner rejected claims 84, 88, 89, and 111 - 115 under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, as indefinite. Claims 84, 88, and 111 are amended according to the Examiner's recommendations and, as amended, are allowable. Claim 89 depends from claim 88 which is amended to be allowable. Claims 112 - 115 depend from claim 111 which is amended to be allowable. These claims are also allowable by virtue of their dependence from allowable base claims and because they were rejected only because of their dependence from rejected claims.

The Examiner rejected claim 95 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Iwamatsu (U.S. Patent 5,400,366). According to the Examiner, Iwamatsu discloses all elements of independent claims 95 but for receiving and operating the signal over the coaxial cable that the Examiner considers well known in

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the art. Claim 95 is canceled to expedite the issuance of a patent with the presently allowable subject matter.

Accordingly, in view of the above amendments it is submitted that the now pending claims 75 - 94 and 96 - 120 are in condition for allowance and their allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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